

State Priority Ranking System for Airport Projects

Aeronautics Division

Priority Category	Rank ¹	Definition	Infrastructure Components	Sample Project Titles
Safety	1	Safety projects include the minimum development or equipment that is required by federal regulation, airport certification procedures, necessary for the safety of individuals or property at the airport, or design standards intended primarily for the protection of human life.	 20:1 State and FAR Part 77 approach surfaces, and/or TSS³. TERPS⁴ approach surfaces for runway ends with instrument approaches. Runway Safety Areas (RSAs) Object Free Areas (OFAs) or Zones (OFZs) Primary windsock Emergency response plans 	 Land Acquisition for Obstruction Removal Obstruction Survey and Design Obstruction clearing/removal Windsock, Remove and Replace Tree Removal ROFA Land Acquisition Runway Safety Area Improvements
Security	2	Security projects include the minimum development or equipment that is required by federal regulation for maintaining airport security.	 Perimeter fencing Apron lighting Gates and controlled access systems Security plans 	 Wildlife Security Fence Construction Security Fencing Security Improvements
Pavement Preservation/Maintenance	3	Pavement preservation projects include maintenance, rehabilitation, or reconstruction of existing airfield pavements.	 Runways Taxiways Aprons Taxilanes Connectors Pavement markings Surface treatments Crack and joint repairs 	 Preliminary Runway Rehabilitation Study Runway 2/20 Reconstruction: Preliminary Design Study T/W and Apron Rehabilitation Final Design thru Bid T-Hangar Pavement Rehabilitation - Final Design / Bid Apron Rehabilitation Construction Runway & Taxiway Rehabilitation
Infrastructure Preservation	4	Infrastructure preservation projects include preservation or replacement of existing infrastructure, not including pavements.	 Runway and taxiway lighting systems Existing PAPIs, REILs, and other NAVAIDs Electrical vaults Drainage structures Existing hangars Existing fueling facilities Rotating beacons Existing communication equipment Existing on-property utilities 	 PAPI/REIL Replacement Hangar Preservation: Construction Design/Bid: Replace Taxiway Lighting System Runway Lighting - Design/Bid Drainage Improvements - Construction Above Ground Fuel Tanks - Design Through Bid Rehabilitate Hangar
Standards	5	Standards projects include the minimum development, equipment, or land required for adherence to, or due to a change in, federal design or construction standards.	 RPZ land Runway-taxiway separation Direct access to runway from apron Spill containment Runway line-of-sight FAR Part 77 surfaces (other than Approach) 	 Construction of Taxiway Connector RPZ Land Acquisition Taxiway Relocation - Design Partial Parallel Taxiway Final Design (Standards) Secondary Containment of Mobile Refuelers

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Planning	6	Planning projects include, but are not limited to	 Airport Layout Plans (ALPs) 	ALP Update with AGIS Survey and Narrative
		master plans, regional plans, state system plans, and	• Exhibit "A"s	 Wildlife Hazard Assessment
		environmental studies, as more thoroughly listed in	Master Plans	 Property Environmental Study
		Appendix E of the AIP Handbook.	 Wildlife Hazard Assessment (WHA) 	Master Plan Update
			 Environmental reviews 	
			 SPCC program 	
Capacity / Modernization	7	Capacity projects include the minimum development	 New/expanded pavements 	 New Terminal Design
		or equipment that is required to reduce delay or	 New or extended taxiways 	Airfield LED Lighting: Construction
		improve an airport or system of airports for the	 New terminals 	 Taxiway Expansion Design
		primary purpose of maintaining access or	Site development	• Apron Expansion
		accommodating more passengers, cargo, aircraft	 Runway extensions 	 Land Acquisition to Relocate AWOS
		operations, or based aircraft, or allow access to a	 Upgraded technologies for functioning 	 Terminal Building Renovations
		broader fleet mix. Upgrades of existing airside	infrastructure	
		infrastructure that is in a safe and operable	 New PAPIs, REILs, and other NAVAIDs 	
		condition otherwise.	 Utilities upgrade or expansion 	
			 Security surveillance systems & cameras 	
Equipment	8	Maintenance equipment required by the airport for	 Grounds maintenance equipment 	Grounds Maintenance Equipment
		planned, preventative, and routine grounds	 Utility/Residential Terrain Vehicles (UTVs & 	Maintenance Vehicle
		maintenance necessary to provide a safe, well-	RTVs)	Mowing Equipment
		ordered, and secure airport environment.	Mowers/tractors	
			Bush hogs	
Landside Improvements	9	All development on airport property that does not	 Access roads 	 Auto Parking Lot Resurfacing
		meet the definition of airside needs/development ² .	 Auto parking lots 	• Entrance Road and Parking Lot Rehabilitation
			 Landside airport signs 	Corporate Hangar Access Road
			• sidewalks	Airport Entrance Sign
Revenue Producing	10	Per 49 U.S.C. § 47102(24), fuel farms, hangar	New T-hangars	• T-Hangar Construction
		buildings, self-service credit card aeronautical	 New corporate hangars 	• 100 LL Fuel System (Construction)
		fueling systems, airplane wash racks, major	 Fuel farms and related fueling facilities 	• Self Fueling System/24 hour
		rehabilitation of a hangar owned by a sponsor, or	 Self-service fuel kiosks 	• 80' x 80' Hangar Design
		other aeronautical support facilities that the FAA or		
		TDOT determines will increase the revenue		
		producing ability of the airport.		

¹ Ranking is based on 1 being the highest priority and most important, 10 is the lowest priority and least important.

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² **Airside Needs/Development** - All development within the areas accessible to aircraft including runways, taxiways, aprons, and aircraft gates and the land adjacent to these facilities required by current FAA standards.

³ TSS – Threshold Siting Surface

⁴TERPS - Terminal Instrument Procedures